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SUBJECT: ELECTRONIC DIALOGUE - CONGRESSMAN MCCORMACK

1. CONGRESSMAN MIKE MCCORMACK ARTICULATED HIS THOUGHT-

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FUL VIEWS ON ENERGY PROBLEMS IN AN ELECTRONIC DIALOGUE

ON JUNE 23 WITH 30 GERMAN SCIENTISTS, ACADEMICS, MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AT THE AMERICA HOUSE IN COLOGNE. THE EXCELLENT MODERATOR WAS PROF. H.K. SCHNEIDER, DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERAL ENERGY INSTITUTE AT COLOGNE, WHICH CONTRIBUTES MAJOR RESEARCH FOR GERMAN POLICY PLANNING.

2. CONG. MCCORMACK'S STRAIGHTFORWARD AND EXCEEDINGLY WELL-INFORMED REPLIES TO PROBING QUESTIONS COVERED A HOST OF QUESTIONS ON ENERGY, INCLUDING NUCLEAR REACTOR SAFETY FACTORS, ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS OF ENERGY PRODUCTION, ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES, INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ASPECTS OF ENERGY POLICY PROBLEMS, AND AMERICAN INNOVATIONS TO REDUCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND TO DEVELOP NEW RESOURCES.

3. HIS GERMAN INTERLOCUTORS KEPT HIM GOING WELL OVER THE ALLOTTED 45-MINUTES OF DIALOGUE UNTIL HE HAD TO BREAK OFF TO CAST HIS VOTE ON A MEASURE IN THE HOUSE.

4. THIS WAS A FIRST FOR COLOGNE AND IT WAS A SUCCESS, JUDGING FROM THE HIGHLY SUBSTANTIVE NATURE OF THE DIALOGUE AND THE REACTION OF THE GERMAN PARTICIPANTS.

5. ICS AND IMV ARE TO BE CONGRATULATED FOR LINING UP AND PRESENTING CONG. MCCORMACK. HIS RESPONSIBLE, THOUGHTFUL VIEWS ON ENERGY ALSO HELPED TO REASSURE OUR AUDIENCES THAT THE CONGRESS WILL ACT WITH CARE IN ITS ROLE AS A LEGISLATIVE POLICY MAKER IN AN AREA OF CRITICAL IMPORTANCE TO GERMAN PROSPERITY.

6. THE AGENCY-PREPARED VTR WITH HIM WHICH WAS PRESENTED BEFORE THE DIALOGUE WAS THE BEST SINGLE INTERVIEW USIS/G HAS RECEIVED ON ENERGY PROBLEMS. IT IS BEING CIRCULATED AMONG OUR POSTS NATIONWIDE FOR USE AS A CENTERPIECE IN ENERGY DISCUSSIONS.

7. AMERICA HOUSE COLOGNE COMPLEMENTED THE E.D. WITH A BOOK DISPLAY AND A BONN-PRODUCED ENERGY PACKET WITH MAJOR RECENT U.S. POLICY STATEMENTS AND BACKGROUNDEERS UNCLASSIFIED

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ON ENERGY PROBLEMS, AS WELL AS A TRANSCRIPT OF THE VTR PROVIDED BY ICS.

8. THE POST WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO PROGRAM CONGRESSMAN MCCORMACK FOR A TOUR OR FOR ANOTHER E.D. ANY TIME DURING THE COMING PROGRAM YEAR AND WOULD APPRECIATE AN AGENCY REQUEST TO SEEK HIS AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE, AND IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, WITH SOME GENERAL TIME FRAME.

FYI HE WILL BE A MEMBER OF CODEL MCCORMACK AND HERE IN
THE FRG JULY 2-5.
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